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The FAST Act of 2015 establishes the Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects (NSFHP) program to provide financial assistance through the Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-Term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) competitive grant program. Funding is available for freight and highway projects that demonstrate national and regional significance and align with the following program goals:

- Improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of freight and people;
- Generate national or regional economic benefits and an increase in global economic competitiveness of the U.S;
- Reduce highway congestion and bottlenecks;
- Improve connectivity between modes of freight transportation;
- Enhance the resiliency of critical highway infrastructure and help protect the environment;
- Improve roadways vital to national energy security; and
- Address the impact of population growth on the movement of people and freight.

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The Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority (ACE), on which the County of Los Angeles is a voting member, is a subsidiary of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments on which Los Angeles County has three voting memberships for the First, Fourth, and Fifth Districts. ACE has determined that the Durfee Avenue Grade Separation Project (City of Pico Rivera) and the Montebello Corridor Grade Separation Project (City of Montebello) meet the program goals while mitigating direct impacts to local communities in Los Angeles County.

The Durfee Avenue Grade Separation Project seeks \$25 million to eliminate the existing at-grade railroad crossing on Durfee Avenue by constructing a roadway underpass between Olympic Boulevard to the north and West Boulevard to the south. The Union Pacific Railroad mainline will remain at its current elevation on a new railroad bridge.

The Montebello Corridor Grade Separation project seeks \$35 million to construct roadway underpasses and railroad bridges at Montebello Boulevard and Maple Avenue. The Project also proposes to install safety enhancements such as quad crossing gates on Greenwood and Vail Avenues. Upon completion, the Project may be eligible for a “Quiet Zone” restriction on locomotive horn-blowing in Montebello.

WE, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors send a five-signature letter to the United States Secretary of Transportation, Honorable Anthony R. Foxx to express support for ACE’s two projects being submitted for funding under the FASTLANE grant program.

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